NATIONAL CEMETERY COMMITTEE
(Assigned to the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission)

Authorization
• Formerly known as the Graves Registration and Memorial Committee
• Resolution 1, October 1962 NEC set membership and organization.
• Resolution 2, May 1968 NEC changed name and transferred from Internal Affairs Commission to Rehabilitation Commission.
• Resolution 1, May 2013 NEC established current purpose.

Membership
The National Cemetery Committee shall consist of a Chairman, a Vice Chairman, and not to exceed twenty-four members selected at large; provided, however, that the Chairman shall not be appointed from among the members of the Committee, and the Vice Chairman shall be appointed from among the members of the Committee.

Appointments to fill members’ expiring terms shall be made annually at each Fall meeting of the National Executive Committee and such appointments shall be for terms of three years. The National Commander is authorized to make such interim appointments as may be required to fill vacancies in unexpired terms, subject to ratification by the National Executive Committee at its next ensuing meeting.

At its Fall meeting each year, the National Executive Committee shall appoint, upon nomination by the National Commander, a Chairman and a Vice Chairman of the Commission to serve in such capacity for one year.

The Chairman of the National Cemetery Committee shall be an ex-officio member of the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission.

Purpose
• To formulate and recommend to the National Executive Committee, through the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission, policies, plans and programs as they relate to Department of Veterans Affairs’ national cemeteries, and the internment of veterans, military and their dependents. This includes Arlington National Cemetery administered by the Department of the Army;
• Such other purposes as may be assigned to it by the National Executive Committee.